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Dear Parents & Carers,

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Due to our cases rising considerably to 10% of the school community, we have been advised by Public Health, Croydon to follow amber control measures which include:

- Daily lateral flow testing for some year groups (you will be advised separately if your child is in a class which has reached the threshold for daily testing)
- Class bubbles not mixing
- Reduced mixing of staff wherever possible
- Reducing visitors to school

We are of course continuing to monitor the situation closely. Please be reassured that for most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. The school remains open and your child should continue to attend as normal if they remain well.

### **What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) or tests positive for COVID-19:**

If your child develops the following symptoms of coronavirus: a new continuous cough, a high temperature, or a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they should get a PCR test and remain at home at least until the result is known. Further commonly reported symptoms of coronavirus are: a sore/scratchy throat, runny nose, sneezing, tummy ache/upset tummy. If the test result is negative, the child can end self-isolation; if positive, the child should isolate for up to 10 days after their symptoms appeared or from the date the positive test was taken. The new government guidance confirms that children may be able to leave isolation following 2 negative LFD tests completed consecutively on days 5 and 6, however, due to the high number of cases within the school community, we are asking that children **do not return until they have received 2 negative tests on days 6 and 7.**

If your child is a close contact of somebody who has tested positive for COVID-19, we ask that they undertake lateral flow tests every day for 7 days before coming to school.

Thank you for your continued support,

Yours faithfully,

*Mrs Annie Mitchell*

Head Teacher

